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## WEST VIRGINIA CROP ACREAGE FOR 2015

**Charleston, West Virginia** – Winter wheat planted in West Virginia for 2015 is estimated at 9,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from 2014. The projected harvest for grain is 6,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from 2014.

Corn planted is estimated at 50,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from 2014. Growers expect to harvest 34,000 acres for grain, down 2,000 acres from last year.

Soybean planted acreage is estimated at 24,000 acres, down 3,000 acres from 2014. Harvested acreage is projected at 23,000 acres, down 3,000 acres from 2014.

All hay harvested is forecast at 638,000 acres, up 20,000 acres from last year. Alfalfa hay harvested is expected to total 18,000 acres, unchanged from last year. Other hay harvested is expected to be 620,000 acres, up 20,000 acres from last year.

These estimates were based on results from the June 1, 2015, Agricultural Survey.

## UNITED STATES WITH 2014 COMPARISONS

Corn planted for all purposes – 88.9 million acres, down 2 percent.

Biotechnology varieties as a percent of all corn planted:

Insect resistant (biotech) - 4% of 2015 crop, 4% of 2014 crop;

Herbicide resistant - 12% of 2015 crop, 13% of 2014 crop;

Stacked gene - 77% of 2015 crop, 76% of 2014 crop;

All Biotech varieties - 92% of 2015 crop, 93% of 2014 crop.

Corn harvested for grain - 81.1 million acres, down 2 percent.

Winter wheat planted – 40.6 million acres, down 4 percent.

Winter wheat harvested for grain – 33.3 million acres, up 3 percent.

Oats planted - 3.0 million acres, up 13 percent.

Oats harvested for grain - 1.2 million acres, up 19 percent.

All tobacco harvested – 320,950 acres, down 15 percent.

Burley tobacco harvested – 84,000 acres, down 17 percent.

All hay for harvest – 56.5 million acres, down 1 percent.

Alfalfa hay for harvest - 18.3 million acres, down less than 1 percent.

Other hay for harvest – 38.5 million acres, down 1 percent.

Soybeans planted – 85.1 million acres, up 2 percent.

Biotechnology varieties as a percent of all soybeans planted:

Herbicide resistant - 94% of 2015 crop, 94% of 2014 crop;

All Biotech varieties - 94% of 2015 crop, 94% of 2014 crop.

Soybeans for harvest - 84.4 million acres, up 2 percent.